

Project Learning Tree (PLT)®





Project Learning Tree® is an award-winning, nationally-recognized environmental education initiative of the Sustainable Forestry Initiative. PLT focuses on trees, forests, forest ecology and their place in human culture and enterprise.

PLT's curriculum, developed for different age/grade levels, fosters awareness, engages critical thinking skills and promotes constructive action. The interdisciplinary "hands-on; minds-on" curriculum is designed for diverse teaching and learning styles.

These materials are available by attending educator workshops or online through PLT's National Office. Information and supplementary resources are posted on the PLT's website, https://www.plt.org.

The Department of Conservation and Recreation sponsors PLT in Massachusetts with support from the Massachusetts Forest Alliance. In-person workshops led by trained facilitators are available for classroom teachers, home school parents, youth group leaders, nature center staff and those who work with young people.

Please see the 2020 workshop schedule on the last page.

PROJECT LEARNING TREE® CURRICULUM

Environmental Experiences for Early Childhood, written for PreK-K educators, emphasizes developing awareness of and connections with the natural world by building on what's familiar to our young

learners. Its format is a variety of child-directed and teacher-led activities that follow typical preschool routines. *Please see the workshop schedule on the last page.*

The Early Childhood curriculum is also available directly from the PLT National Office at https://www.plt.org in an on-line format. The \$35 cost includes an e-version of the curriculum.

A hard copy is an additional \$20.

<u>The PreK-8 Curriculum</u> includes nearly 100 hands-on; minds-on activities that connect with topics in Science, English Language Arts, Math, and Social Studies. *Please see the workshop schedule on the last page.*

The PreK-8 curriculum is also available directly from the PLT National Office at https://www.plt.org in an on-line format. The \$40 cost includes an e-version of the guide. A hard copy is an additional \$25.

<u>Secondary Modules</u> Ideal for middle and high school educators, *Focus on Forests, Forests of the World,* and *Places We Live* provide in-depth investigations and activities that build critical thinking and responsible decision-making skills. *Please see the workshop schedule on the last page.*

Additional Educational Materials

and professional development opportunities are available on line, at the Project Learning Tree National Office, https://www.plt.org







2020 In-Person, Facilitated Workshops

Saturday, March 7, <u>K8 Curriculum</u>, Quinsigamond State Park, Worcester. 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. \$20. Please pre-register by February 29, <u>Gini.Traub@mass.gov</u>; 617/699-2387.

Friday, March 13, <u>Secondary Modules</u> Focus on Forests and Teaching with iTree, 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. \$10. Please pre-register by March 6; <u>Gini.Traub@mass.gov</u>; 617/699-2387.

Saturday, April 18, <u>PreK-K Module</u>, *Environmental Experiences for Early Childhood*, Worcester. 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. \$16. Please preregister by April 11; <u>Gini.Traub@mass.gov</u>; 617/699-2387.

We will schedule more educator workshops throughout 2020. Please visit this website for updates.

At all workshops, participants try out and discuss activities with peers in a collegial setting. Learn more about Project Learning Tree® and its online resources, receive the curriculum guide(s), other handouts, and a Certificate of Completion.

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